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"Arasta Creek Closure"

Hamilton, Montana, June 5, 2007-Acting Forest Supervisor Barry Paulson has closed an area along Arasta Creek to all motorized vehicles because of damage to soil and vegetation from recent motorized activity. The closed area is located on the Stevensville Ranger District in the Threemile Creek drainage approximately 16 miles northeast of Stevensville.

The closure will be in effect until the area fully recovers. Forest Service and volunteers crews are planning work this summer to replant and repair the damaged area.

For more Information, please contact Mike Wilson at 777-5461.